

JOE WARDY
MAYOR

JOYCE WILSON
CITY MANAGER



CITY COUNCIL

SUSAN AUSTIN
DISTRICT NO. 1

ROBERT A. CUSHING, JR.
DISTRICT NO. 2

JOSE ALEXANDRO LOZANO
DISTRICT NO. 3

JOHN F. COOK
DISTRICT NO. 4

PRESI ORTEGA, JR.
DISTRICT NO. 5

PAUL J. ESCOBAR
DISTRICT NO. 6

VIVIAN ROJAS
DISTRICT NO. 7

ANTHONY W. COBOS
DISTRICT NO. 8

CORRECTED

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
APRIL 5, 2005
9:00 A.M.

The City Council met in regular session at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. Mayor Joe Wardy present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susan Austin, Robert A. Cushing, Jr., Jose Alexandro Lozano, John F. Cook, Presi Ortega, Jr., and Vivian Rojas. Absent: None. Late arrivals: Paul J. Escobar at 9:47 a.m. and Anthony W. Cobos at 9:24 a.m. The invocation was given by Police Chaplain Clift Barnes, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

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NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the following item: I discovered, after the fact, that El Paso residents are charged for emergency ambulance services. As a tax payer, I do not believe that charges for emergency services are justifiable and would like to have the issue brought before council for discussion, review and change. [Berton Belfer]

Mr. Berton Belfer, citizen, commented.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representative Lozano commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
2. Mr. Bill Studer, Deputy City Manager, gave a Powerpoint presentation.
(on file in the City Clerk's Office)

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MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS

1. **SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**
2. **AUTISM MONTH**
3. **NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS WEEK**

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Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE, AS REVISED**, all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted.
(Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}).

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.
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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of March 29, 2005.

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***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager be authorized to sign a First Amendment to the Airline Operating Agreement and Terminal Building Lease dated August 1, 2001 by and between the City of El Paso ("City") and Delta Airlines, Inc. ("Airline") to add Gate B-2 to the Airline's Preferential Use Space.

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***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the Mayor be authorized to sign an Interlocal Agreement by and between the City of El Paso, the El Paso County Juvenile Board and the 65th District Court for the purpose of handling, detaining and apprehending of juveniles taken into custody by the Police Department.

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***RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council finds it in the best interest of the citizens of El Paso, that the Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program (SHOCAP) be operated for the August 1, 2005 - July 31, 2006 year; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project as required by the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program grant application; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division Funds, the El Paso City Council assures that the funds will be returned to the Governor's Criminal Justice Division in full.

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates Joyce Wilson, City Manager as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That the El Paso City Council approves submission of the grant application for the Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program (SHOCAP) to the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.
2. The City Manager be authorized to sign the grant application including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant in the amount of \$25,731, from the City of El Paso Police Department to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for the purpose of continuing the efforts of the El Paso Police Department's SHOCAP program.
3. The City of El Paso agrees to provide a cash match of \$2,859 and in-kind matching funds in the amount of \$185,358.00.
4. The El Paso Police Department be authorized to sign Cooperative Working Agreements relating to the grant with the following agencies: El Paso County Sheriff's; El Paso County Attorney's Office, El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department, Child Protective Services, Texas Youth Commission and Communities In Schools-El Paso, Inc.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request to fill the following position on a temporary basis in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.6-3, of the Civil Service Charter Provisions:

Clerk Typist II (1)

Fund Source: 11010011-502001-01101

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the following provisional appointment in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.6-2, of the Civil Service Charter Provisions:

Clerk Typist II (1)

Fund Source: 11010011-502001-01101

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Staffing Table Change for Fire

Delete	3.00	Fire Medic	FS 1
Add	3.00	Firefighter	FS 1

Fund Source: 22010100-01101-22000

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Staffing Table Change for Museum

Add	1.00	Accountant I	PM 72
Delete	1.00	Accounting Technician	GS 20

Fund Source: 54010249-01101-54000

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **MOVE TO THE REGULAR AGENDA** the board appointment of Tedd F. Richardson to the Building and Standards Commission by Representative John F. Cook, District 4.

There was no discussion.

Motion made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Lozano and carried to **APPOINT** Tedd F. Richardson to the Building and Standards Commission by Representative John F. Cook, District 4.

AYES: Representatives Austin, Cushing, Lozano, Cook and Rojas

NAYS: Representative Cobos

NOT PRESENT: Representatives Ortega and Escobar

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Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **MOVE TO THE REGULAR AGENDA** the board appointment of Audrey R. (Bear) Walters to the Building and Standards Commission by Representative John F. Cook, District 4.

There was no discussion.

Motion made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Lozano and carried to **APPOINT** Audrey R. (Bear) Walters to the Building and Standards Commission by Representative John F. Cook, District 4.

AYES: Representatives Austin, Cushing, Lozano, Cook and Rojas
NAYS: Representative Cobos
NOT PRESENT: Representatives Ortega and Escobar

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Valerie Ann Scott to the Civil Service Commission by Representative Vivian Rojas, District 7.

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried that the following tax refunds be **APPROVED**:

- A. Cumming Property Tax Service in the amount of \$18,226.97 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C050-999-2030-0150)
- B. Cumming Property Tax Service in the amount of \$3,597.16 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C050-999-2040-6100)
- C. Cumming Property Tax Service in the amount of \$3,122.54 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C050-999-2040-8100)
- D. Sierra Title Co. in the amount of \$4,100.87 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C340-999-0240-3900)
- E. Jesusita M. Ochoa in the amount of \$2,720.79 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C340-999-0510-1500)
- F. Theodore Guzman Lopez & Norma Martinez Lopez in the amount of \$3,259.83 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (PID #C818-999-0750-0500)
- G. Wells Fargo in the amount of \$2,994.32 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #E049-999-0180-3100)
- H. Dr. Cindy J. Harris in the amount of \$6,994.69 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #F609-999-0160-1900)
- I. Washington Mutual Bank in the amount of \$3,590.42 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #H791-004-0040-0050)
- J. Wells Fargo Real Estate Services in the amount of \$2,610.27 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #I256-999-0250-0300)
- K. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage in the amount of \$3,758.48 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #K408-999-0010-6100)
- L. First American Title in the amount of \$2,516.72 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #L478-999-0040-6300)
- M. Squire Cruse Properties, LP in the amount of \$2,844.64 overpayment of 2003 taxes.
(PID #M056-999-0240-4600)
- N. Squire Cruse Properties, LP in the amount of \$3,030.66 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #M056-999-0240-4600)
- O. Litton Loan Servicing LP in the amount of \$6,181.14 overpayment of 2003 taxes.
(PID #R460-999-0030-0400)
- P. Stewart Title of El Paso in the amount of \$7,013.02 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #R460-999-0150-1400)
- Q. Aduana Bank Corp. in the amount of \$7,960.20 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #S231-999-0240-9000)
- R. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Services in the amount of \$2,599.67 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #V893-999-5460-8100)

- S.** Dovenmuehle Mortgage in the amount of \$3,300.73 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #V893-999-572A-0800)
- T.** Ricardo & Linda Lopez in the amount of \$4,700.38 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #V893-999-5840-3100)
- U.** Ocwen Federal in the amount of \$3,000.01 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID V927-999-0170-5700)
- V.** Ignacio A. & Janet R. Alba in the amount of \$2,732.51 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #W564-999-0040-1900)
- W.** Albertson's, Inc. in the amount of \$7,486.01 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #X581-999-2090-2610)
- X.** Juanita S. Falvey in the amount of \$3,592.61 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #Y805-999-035E-1267)
- Y.** Ben L. Ivey, LTD. In the amount of \$5,593.35 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #Y805-999-056B-0301)
- Z.** Sierra Title Co. in the amount of \$3,276.03 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #V897-999-0660-3900)
- AA.** GMAC Mortgage in the amount of \$3,476.15 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #U819-000-0160-06C0)
- BB.** Country Wide Tax Services in the amount of \$3,215.44 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C518-999-0860-3100)
- CC.** Option One Mortgage Company in the amount of \$10,424.61 overpayment of 2003 taxes.
(PID #R460-999-0270-1000)
- DD.** Chase Home Finance LLC in the amount of \$3,616.00 overpayment of 2003 taxes.
(PID #N425-999-0080-1300)
- EE.** USAA Federal Savings Bank in the amount of \$6,760.29 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #C801-999-0140-0500)
- FF.** Land America c/o Washington Mutual in the amount of \$7,281.49 overpayment of 2003 taxes.
(PID #C834-999-0050-1100)
- GG.** Joseph Park in the amount of \$2,978.18 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #M895-999-0050-1400)
- HH.** Sierra Title Company in the amount of \$3,157.41 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #P358-999-0020-6700)
- II.** EMC Mortgage c/o Land America in the amount of \$6,080.03 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #S812-999-0090-0100)
- JJ.** First American Commercial Real Estate Services, Inc. in the amount of \$45,893.13 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (T645-999-0030-1700)
- KK.** Sierra Title Company in the amount of \$6,038.83 overpayment of 2004 taxes.
(PID #P586-999-0060-5100)

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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 *Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request for a budget transfer in the amount of \$20,000 to the Parks and Recreation Department to have four (4) Summer Camp Programs in District #2 (Nolan Richardson Recreation Center \$5,000; Sacramento Senior Citizen Center \$5,000; Nations Tobin Recreation Center \$5,000; and the Friendly Senior Citizen Center \$5,000).

Funds to be allocated from District #2 Discretionary Funds--Dept. ID# 01010002; Acct. #504420; Fund #01101; Class #01001.

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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 *Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-875 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$84,693.86 from previously issued COs to the Traffic Light Synchronization project for final TxDOT payments.

Decrease	\$84,693.86	from	31115108/P59999926061/504405	OpCntgncy
Increase	\$84,693.86	to	31115108/PPW003500526061/508027	Construction

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request of Grace Hernandez to block off Nederland between 3201 – 3205 on May 7, 2005 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a block party. Approximately 100 persons will participate. Barricades must be manned according to the State's "Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Device". This request includes permission to use amplification (2 speakers and 1 amplifier). PERMIT NO. 05-025 [Grace Hernandez]

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request of Hawkins Elementary School to hold a C.A.T.C.H. parade on April 7, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Route: Start at Hawkins Elementary School – 5816 Stephenson to Frederick Rd. turn right on Frederick Rd. to Tamburo, turn right on Tamburo to Glenwood, turn right on Glenwood and finish at San Juan Senior Citizen Center. Approximately 500 persons will take part and 50 spectators are anticipated. PERMIT NO. 05-026 [Aida Salazar / Norma Arellano]

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Ortega and unanimously carried that the following Ordinances, having been **INTRODUCED** pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be advertised for public hearing:

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. ZON05-00001 to satisfy parking requirements for Parcel 1, described as Lots 23 - 26, Block 9, East El Paso Addition, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, by allowing off-street parking on Parcel 2, described as the East 20 feet of Lot 13, all of Lot 14, and the South 88 feet of Lots 15 and 16, Block 10, East El Paso Addition, pursuant to Section 20.24.040 of the El Paso Municipal Code. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the El Paso Municipal Code. Applicant: Francisco Gonzales. ZON05-0000

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 26, 2005

Public Hearings will be held as part of the regular City Council meeting which begins at approximately 9AM. All interested persons present shall have an opportunity to be heard at that time. After the public hearings, Council may also delay taking action on Ordinances, no requirement is made by Section 3.9B of the El Paso City Charter to publish any further notice. Copies of all Ordinances are available for review in the City Clerk's office, 2 Civic Center Plaza, Monday through Friday, 8AM to 5PM.

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Item: INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING of an Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of \$10,000,000 City of El Paso, Texas, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2005C, for the purpose of improving and extending the City's water and sewer system and paying the costs related to the issuance of the bonds; and enacting provisions related thereto

Mr. Nicholas Costanzo, Assistant Director of El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board, commented.

Mr. Steven Adams, First Southwest Company, gave Powerpoint presentation. Ordinance language was revised. (presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)

ORDINANCE 16024

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$10,000,000 CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2005C, FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING AND EXTENDING THE CITY'S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM AND PAYING THE COSTS RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND ENACTING PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.**

The City Clerk called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Lozano, seconded by Representative Ortega, that the Ordinance be **INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Lozano, Cook, Ortega, Rojas and Cobos
NAYS: None Absent: None
NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Member Escobar

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED**.

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Item: INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING of an Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of "City of El Paso, Texas, Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2005D"; and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, payment and delivery of said bonds, including the approval and execution of an escrow agreement; establishing procedures for the sale and delivery of the bonds; and delegating matters relating to the sale and issuance of the bonds to an authorized City officer or employee.

The following bond advisory team members commented:

1. Mr. Paul Braden, Delgado, Acosta, Braden & Jones, P.C., presented a Powerpoint presentation and revised the Ordinance language. (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office)
2. Mr. Steven Adams, First Southwest Company

Representatives Cook and Ortega commented.

Mr. Jorge Artalejo, citizen, commented.

ORDINANCE 16025

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF "CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, WATER AND SEWER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2005D"; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE, PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OF SAID BONDS, INCLUDING THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE BONDS; AND DELEGATING MATTERS RELATING TO THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS TO AN AUTHORIZED CITY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE.**

Motion duly made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Lozano, that the Ordinance be **INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Lozano, Cook, Ortega, Escobar, Rojas and Cobos
NAYS: None Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED**.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the discussion and action to direct the City Manager to institute a moratorium for 90 days on the request by the Animal Emergency Center's proposed crematorium incinerator at 1220 Airway until a complete review is conducted by the Health Legislative Review Committee due to high public concern.

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the discussion and action to direct the City Manager to establish a license ordinance to regulate crematorium incinerators in the City of El Paso consistent with all local, state and federal government and environmental codes.

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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Motion made by Representative Lozano, seconded by Representative Ortega and unanimously carried to **DIRECT** the City Manager to direct staff to create a land use regulation for animal crematories including review of current applicable ordinances.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Rojas, Cushing, and Lozano commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. George Sarmiento, Director of Planning, Research and Development
2. Mr. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Ana Dueñas, President of the Lower Valley Neighborhood Association, commented on petitions.
2. Ms. Aurelia Roque spoke in Spanish, Ms. Dueñas interpreted.
3. Ms. Sylvia Stuckey, Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association member.

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Motion made by Representative Cook, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Bid No. 2005-132, Northeast Regional Park Phase I Improvements

Contractor: Blair Hall Co., Inc.
El Paso, Texas

Department: Parks Department

Funds Available: 31130550/PPW0046004/PW0046041/60016/508027

Funding Source: 2000 Quality of Life Bond Election

Items: Base Bid I \$2,650,000.00
Base Bid IA \$ 2,120.00
Alternate 1 \$ 133,000.00
Alternate 2 \$ 193,000.00
Alternate 3 \$ 60,000.00

Total Award: \$3,038,120.00

The Departments of Parks and Recreation and the Project Manager, Perspectiva 3D/I, recommend the award of this contract to Blair Hall Co., Inc. the low responsible, responsive bidder. It is requested that the City Manager of the City of El Paso be authorized to sign the referenced contract approved by the City Engineer, Contract Compliance, and the City Attorney. Additionally, it is requested that the City Manager be authorized to execute budget transfers for this award and project, as necessary.

As part of the award of this contract, the City Engineer is authorized to approve contract changes which are necessary for proper construction of the work and carrying out the intent of the design, but which do not increase the scope of the contract as awarded, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 per numbered change order, and not to exceed the total of 25% of the original contract price as awarded, without further authorization by City Council.

Representative Escobar was not present for the vote.

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ORDINANCE 16026

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 19 (SUBDIVISIONS), CHAPTER 19.12 (PARKLAND DEDICATION), SECTION 19.12.050 (STANDARDS FOR DEEDED PARKLAND), SUBSECTION 19.12.050.A.1 (GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS) OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF PARKLAND SITES THAT REQUIRE AN AFFIRMATIVE RECOMMENDATION BY DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION BEFORE APPROVAL OF SUCH BY THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION.**

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Austin, Lozano, Cushing, Cook, Rojas, and Cobos commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Dr. Norman Merrifield, Director of Parks and Recreation, gave a Powerpoint presentation and stated, for the record, he was not opposed to small parks.
(presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)
2. Mr. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney
3. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Esther Perez
2. Mr. Clarence Sperbeck, representative of Save the Valley Neighborhood Association
3. Mr. Stuart Mitchell, President of the Mountain Arroyos Neighborhood Association

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

1ST MOTION:

Motion made by Representative Lozano, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE THE AMENDMENT** to Section 2 of the Ordinance language as read into the record by Assistant City Attorney Matt Watson.

2ND MOTION:

Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Austin and unanimously carried to **APPROVE THE AMENDMENT** to Section A1 of the Ordinance as read into the record by Assistant City Attorney Matt Watson.

Representative Lozano not present for the vote.

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

3RD AND FINAL MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Lozano, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Lozano, Cook, Ortega, Escobar, Rojas and Cobos
NAYS: None Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**.

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Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cook and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE FOUR (4) WEEKS** an ordinance incorporating the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board Westside Master Plan as a specific study area plan into the city's comprehensive plan, *The Plan for El Paso*, and which plan shall amend the *Plan For El Paso* and the Year 2025 General Land Use Map incorporated therein.

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Austin, Cobos, Cushing, and Cook commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. George G. Sarmiento, Director of Planning, Research and Development, gave a Powerpoint presentation. (presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)
2. Mr. Nicholas Costanza, Assistant Director of El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Dr. Richard Bonart gave a Powerpoint presentation
2. Mr. Kyle Womack, representative of Parkhill Smith and Cooper

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ORDINANCE 16027

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PROPOSED THOROUGHFARE SYSTEM AS DETAILED IN THE MAP ATLAS OF THE PLAN FOR EL PASO AND ITS RELATED DOCUMENTS AS ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL IN 1999, AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED.**

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representative Austin commented.

Mr. George Sarmiento, Director, Planning, Research and Development, gave a Powerpoint presentation and responded to questions and/or comments of the Council.
(presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)

The City Clerk called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Cobos, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Cook, Ortega, Escobar, Rojas and Cobos

NAYS: None Absent: None
NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Member Lozano

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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NO ACTION WAS TAKEN City Manager's report of current events and issues - Report and Status of Public Art Master Plan: Presentation by Betty Jaraba, Interim Director, Arts and Culture Department.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
2. Ms. Betty Jaraba, Interim Director, Arts and Culture Department, gave a Powerpoint presentation. (presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)

Mr. Richard Schecter, citizen, commented.

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NO ACTION WAS TAKEN City Manager's report of current events and issues - Summary of outcome of bond refinancing.

Representatives Austin, Cook and Ortega commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
2. Mr. Bill Studer, Deputy City Manager

Mr. Steven Adams, First Southwest Company, gave a Powerpoint and responded to questions and/or comments of the Council. (presentation on file in the City Clerk's Office)

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Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Representatives Cushing and Lozano not present for the vote.

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk